GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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PER CAPTIA AMOUNT SPENT ON MEDICINES
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the per capita amount spent on medicines in rural areas of the country with the World Bank and WHO assistance;

(b) whether there is any new proposal to increase the said limit ;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the total expenditure incurred on medicines in rural areas during each of the last three years and till-date,State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE(SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) to (d): The National Disease Control Programmes cover both rural and urban areas. In respect of some of these programme like Leprosy and TB, assistance for medicines is obtained from international organizations like WHO and World Bank, GFATM, DFID, USAID etc. Accounts are maintained of amounts spent on medicines at State/district level. However, no separate break-up of money spent in rural areas is being maintained. Nevertheless the benefits of these programmes are uniformly available to all persons across the country.